

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title: CIRCOVIRUS SEQUENCES ASSOCIATED WITH PIGLET WEIGHT LOSS DISEASE (PWD)  
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**CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION**  
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of the above-identified copending prior application in which no patenting, abandonment, or termination of proceedings has occurred. Priority to the above-identified prior application is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for this continuing application. The entire disclosure of the above-identified prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuing application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Specification, 12 Claims, and Abstract (89 pages).
- ☒ Formal drawings (29 sheets, Figures 1-16).
- ☒ Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney from U.S. Application No. 09/514,243 (Docket No. 065691/176) (5 pages).

- ☒ Copy of Notice of Recordation and Assignment of the invention to AGENCE FRANCAISE DE SECURITE SANITAIRE DES ALIMENTS (5 pages).
- ☒ Application Data Sheet (37 CFR § 1.76) (6 pages).
- ☒ Sequence Listing (106 pages).
- ☒ On page 86 of the specification, after the last sentence but before the first word on page 87 of the specification, enter the Sequence Listing (106 pages) which is attached to a separate paper filed concurrently herewith but considered part of this amendment.
- ☒ Statement regarding submission of Sequence Listing (1 page).
- ☒ Notice of Copied Claims (2 pages).
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages).
- ☒ PTO Form 1449 (1 page).
- ☒ U.S. Patent No. 6,571,843 (31 pages).

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**NOTICE OF COPIED CLAIMS**

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Claims 1-12 of the present application parallel claims from U.S. Patent 6,517,843, (enclosed for consideration) issued 11 February 2003. *See, e.g.*, the '843 patent, claims 1-6. Each claim's patentability is now being studied. Applicants respectfully submit that support for each claim may be found, e.g., in the specification as filed.

It is believed that claims of the '843 patent would correspond to count(s) based on pending claims 1-12 of this application. Applicants are contemplating preparing a request for interference to be submitted at a later date.

Each of claims 1-12 was entered into the present application on 11 February 2004,  
one year after the issuance of the '843 patent. Thus, each claim is not barred by 35 U.S.C.  
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